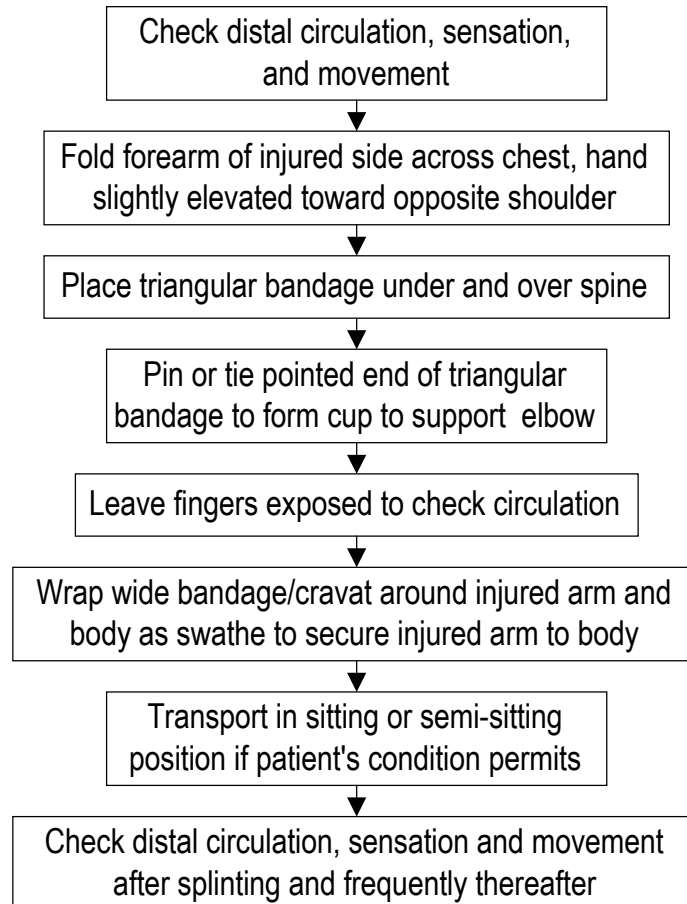


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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
PRACTICAL SKILL
SLING AND SWATHE**

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Purpose:		Indications:	
To immobilize the shoulder girdle and upper extremity		Fracture/dislocation/injury to the upper extremity	
Advantages:	Disadvantages:	Complications:	Contraindications:
Easy to apply Supports the shoulder girdle and upper extremity well	Patient must be in sitting position Does not provide rigid protection by itself	None	None



NOTES:

- Fractures/injuries appropriately treated with a sling and swathe are: clavicle, scapula, shoulder dislocation, humerus.
- A sling and swathe may also be used as a support for board splints on the elbow, forearm, or wrist.